

2014 Point-in-Time Count

State of Iowa Report

Balance of State, Des Moines/Polk County, and Sioux City/Dakota County



Point-in-Time 101

- The Point-in-Time Count (PIT) is a count of all homeless clients on a single night.
- The PIT count is the only count that includes actual unduplicated counts (not estimates) from programs that do not use the homeless management information system (HMIS).
- ► HUD requires each Continuum of Care to conduct this count annually, during the last 10 days of January.
- The PIT count was conducted on January 29, 2014 for all three Iowa CoCs.



What is included in the PIT?

- Sheltered Homeless Count a count of clients staying in:
 - Emergency shelters (including motel vouchers)
 - Transitional Housing
 - Subpopulations (Chronic, Veteran, etc.)
- Unsheltered Homeless Count a count of clients:
 - ▶ Sleeping on the streets or in places not meant for habitation on the night of the count
- Housing Inventory a count of beds in:
 - Emergency shelters (including motel voucher programs)
 - Transitional Housing
 - Permanent Housing (includes Permanent Supportive Housing and Rapid Rehousing Programs, new for 2014)



2014 Point-in-Time Totals - BOS

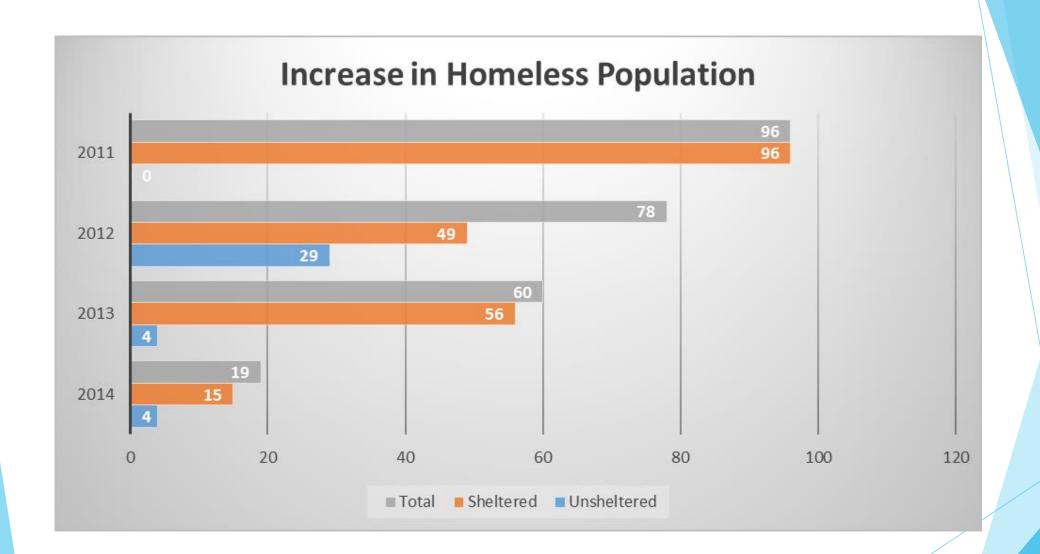
- The total count of clients in emergency shelter or transitional housing was 1874 people.
 - ▶ This was an net increase of 15 people from 2013.
- Emergency shelter increased by 106 people.
- Transitional housing decreased by 91 people.
- Unsheltered Population increased by 4 people.
- The housing inventory count for ES and TH totaled 3173 beds.
 - ▶ This was a net increase of 141 beds from 2013.



Trends and Observations - BOS

- There was a significant reduction in the chronically homeless population (-29), this is most likely due to the increase of +41 PSH beds.
- ► There was an increase in single ES beds of 107 and a reduction of family ES beds of 71.
- Large increases in existing 4 DV shelters' bed counts and a decrease of 5 DV programs have offset each other for bed count.
- ► Transitional housing decreased by 91 people due to losing 3 large TH programs, thus resulting in the net loss of 35 TH beds. Less transitional housing could also a side effect of increased use of PSH and RRH programs in 2014.
- This marks a 4th year trend of increase of total sheltered and unsheltered population each year. However this also marks the 4th year of reduced rate of increase for the population.







Emergency Shelter PIT - BOS

Family Type	2013 Clients	2014 Clients	Change
Households with	294	355	+61
Children (Family)			
Households without	416	460	+44
Children (Single)			
Households with ONLY	0	1	+1
Children			
TOTAL	710	816	+106



Emergency Shelter HIC - BOS

ES Bed Type	2013 Beds	2014 Beds	Change
Households with	513	443	-70
Children (Family)			
Households without	463	570	+107
Children (Single)			
Households with	N/A	N/A	N/A
ONLY Children			
TOTAL	976	1013	+37



Emergency Shelter Changes - BOS

- Opened: Catholic Worker House Waterloo (+12 beds)
- ➤ Closed: Centers Against Abuse & Sexual Assault (CAASA) (-10 beds), Crisis Center & Women's Shelter DV Shelter (Ottumwa) (-29 beds), Crisis Intervention Service (Mason City) (-17 beds), Family Crisis Support Network (-15 beds), Ottumwa Community Outreach (-20 beds), Tri-State Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Abuse (-15 beds), Waypoint Services Domestic Violence Shelter (-3 beds), YWCA of Fort Dodge (-9 beds)
- ➤ Changes*: Domestic Violence Alternatives/Sexual Assault Center (+22 beds), Domestic Violence Intervention Program (+9 beds), Domestic/Sexual Assault Outreach Center (D/SAOC) (+27 beds), Emergency Residence Project (+11 beds), Family Crisis Centers of Northwest Iowa Emergency Shelter (-5 beds), God's Way Christian Center Emergency Shelter (-6 beds), Humility of Mary Shelter Inc. Emergency Shelter (-8 beds), King's Harvest Emergency Shelter (+76 beds), St. John's Guest House (+6 beds)
- *Insignificant changes less than 5 beds not mentioned



Transitional Housing PIT - BOS

Family Type	2013 Beds	2014 Beds	Change
Households with	791	752	-39
Children (Family)			
Households without	353	301	-52
Children (Single)			
Households with	5	5	0
ONLY Children			
TOTAL	1149	1058	-91



Transitional Housing HIC - BOS

TH Bed Type	2013 Beds	2014 Beds	Change
Households with	1034	993	-41
Children (Family)			
Households without	320	330	+10
Children (Single)			
Households with	7	3	-4
ONLY Children			
TOTAL	1361	1326	-35



Transitional Housing Changes - BOS

- Opened: Dubuque Rescue Mission Saint Mary House (+5 beds), Gateway to Discovery
 (+5 beds)
- ► Closed: Boone Biblical Memorial Church (-20 beds), Foundation 2 (-10 beds), King's Harvest Transitional Housing (-53 beds), The 180 Zone Norma's Place (-22 beds), YWCA of Fort Dodge Transitional Housing (-9 beds)
- ► Changes*: Family Crisis Centers of Northwest Iowa House of Hope (+6 beds), The Salvation Army Davenport (+8 beds), Waypoint Services DVSA Transitional Housing (+8 beds)
- *Insignificant changes less than 5 beds not mentioned



Permanent Housing HIC - BOS

PSH Bed Type	2013 Beds	2014 Beds	Change
Households with	172	184	+12
Children (Family)			
Households without	199	228	+29
Children (Single)			
Households with	N/A	N/A	N/A
ONLY Children			
TOTAL	371	412	+41



Permanent Housing Changes - BOS

- ➤ Opened: Cedar Valley Friends of the Family (+25 beds), Crisis Center & Women's Shelter (+10 beds), Crisis Intervention & Advocacy Center Adel (+2 beds), Domestic/Sexual Assault Outreach Center (D/SAOC) (+12 beds), SSVF VALOR Program (+18 beds), Victim Services CVAD Rapid Rehousing (+5 beds)
- Closed: Northern Lights Alliance for the Homeless Gerrit House (-6)
- ► Changes*: Davenport Housing Authority VASH (-19 beds), Iowa City Housing Authority VASH-HUD VASH Program (-8 Beds), Mason City Housing Authority S+C Program (-12 beds), Successful Living PSH (+11 beds), Family Resources Inc. ESG Rapid Rehousing (+82 beds), YWCA of Clinton ESG Rapid Rehousing (+81 beds)
- *Insignificant changes less than 5 beds not mentioned



Unsheltered PIT Count - BOS

Family Type	2013 Clients	2014 Clients	Change
Households with Children (Family)	2	20	18
Households without Children (Single)	59	45	-14
Households with ONLY Children	0	0	0
TOTAL	61	65	+4



Gender/Ethnicity Comparison - BOS

Data Group	Emergency Shelter	Transitional Housing	Unsheltered
Male	57.4%	45.3%	75.4 %
Female	42.6%	54.7%	24.6%
Non-Hispanic	92.8%	90%	98.5%
Hispanic	7.2%	10%	1.5%



Homeless Subpopulations - BOS

Subpopulation Type	Sheltered/ Unsheltered 2013	Sheltered/ Unsheltered 2014	Change
Chronically Homeless	129/16	97/15	-32/-1
Severely Mentally III	274/19	309/19	35/0
Chronic Substance Abuse	280/3	270/20	-10/17
Persons with HIV/AIDS	3/0	1/0	-2/0
Victims of Domestic Violence	355/0	375/8	20/8



Veteran Population - BOS

Shelter Type	2013	2014*	Change
Emergency Shelter	85	54	9
Transitional Shelter		40	
Unsheltered	3	6	3

^{*2014} first year for detailed veteran population breakdown



2014 Point-in-Time Totals - Des Moines

- The total count of clients on the street, in emergency shelter or transitional housing was 886 people.
 - ▶ This was an net decrease of 42 people from 2013.
- Emergency shelter increased by 47 people.
- Transitional housing decreased by 130 people.
- Unsheltered Population increased by 41 people.
- The housing inventory count for ES and TH totaled 861 beds.
 - ▶ This was a net decrease of 84 beds from 2013.



Trends and Observations - Des Moines

- There was a significant reduction in TH beds in Des Moines (-107), primarily due to a programmatic shift from TH to PH beds, as well as the loss of two transitional housing projects.
- There was a dramatic increase in the number of unsheltered homeless in 2014 (+ 41), but this is likely related to better weather conditions from 2013, and the absence of active "camp eviction" activity in Des Moines.
- Utilization rates in Des Moines were very high among most shelters on the night of the count. Central Iowa Shelter and Services was at 100% utilization with an additional 71 overflow beds occupied.
- There was an significant increase overall of Permanent Housing (PH) beds (+177). This is related to local TH programs changing program focus, and also increased bed availability through "grant savings".



2014 Point-in-Time Totals - Sioux City

- The total count of clients on the streets, in emergency shelter or transitional housing was 297 people.
 - ▶ This was an net increase of 61 people from 2013.
- Emergency shelter increased by 31 people.
- Transitional housing increased by 13 people.
- Unsheltered Population increased by 17 people.
- The housing inventory count for ES and TH totaled 199 beds.
 - ▶ This was a net increase of 2 beds from 2013.

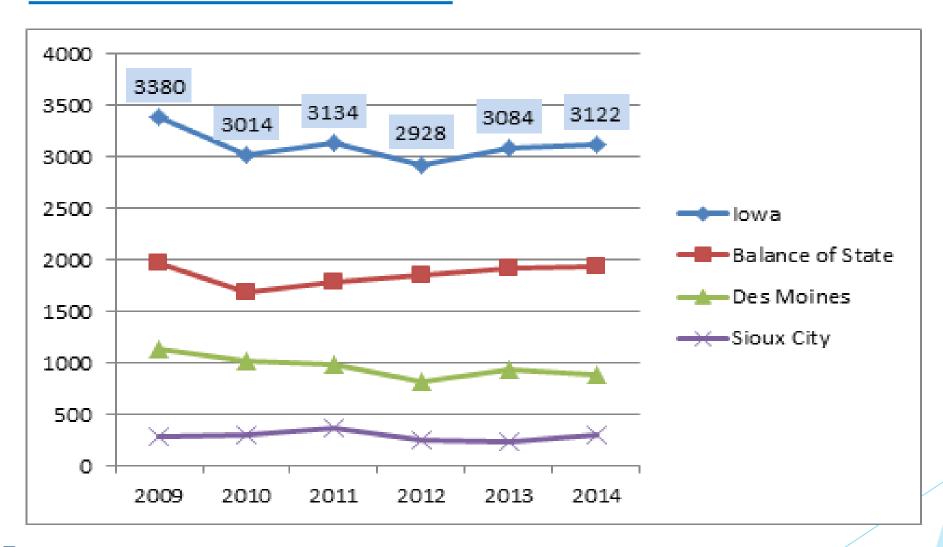


Trends and Observations - Sioux City

- There was an increase in the overall number of persons experiencing homelessness (+61), after a two year trend of reduced numbers.
- There was a significant increase in the number of unsheltered homeless persons (+17).
- Although there was only a very small decrease (-2) in the number of year-round shelter beds (ES & TH), the community did, for the first time offer 15 seasonal beds during the winter.
- There was a dramatic reduction in the number of chronically homeless persons; from 65 in 2013 to 16 in 2014.



State of Iowa Totals





Subpopulation Totals Statewide

Subpopulation Type	Number/ Percentage 2013	Number/ Percentage 2014	Change
Families	1571/50.9%	1586/50.8%	16/-0.1%
Singles	1513/49.1%	1536/49.2%	23/+0.1%
Chronically Homeless	327/10.6%	244/7.8%	-83/-2.8%
Homeless Veterans	229/7.4%	202/6.5%	-27/-1.0%



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